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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the restriction requirement dated May 18, 2004, applicant elects species I, Figs. 1-9, i.e. claims 1-16, with traverse. Claims 1-16 are generic.

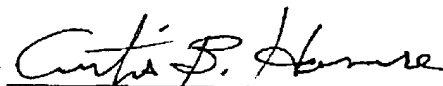
Applicant does not dispute that Figs. 1-9 and Figs. 10-11 are directed to different embodiments. The claims, however, are generic to both embodiments. Hence, applicant elects species I, in order to be responsive to the restriction requirement, but applicant, at the same time, states that all pending claims are generic.

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